

RECOGNIZING THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT VOICES OF FREEDOM CHOIR

(Mrs. HAYES asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. HAYES. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate the Voices of Freedom choir at the University of Connecticut on their 50th anniversary.

Voices of Freedom is a unique ensemble of approximately 80 or more students that provides personal elevation and enlightenment of the gospel and spiritual music of the Black experience church.

Gospel music promotes a spirit of hope. Music has healing power, and the existence of this choir on this campus at this time is more important now than ever.

I also extend heartfelt congratulations to the Voices of Freedom not only on celebrating 50 years of ministering through music at the University of Connecticut, but a special congratulations to their director, Reverend Lisa Clayton, who is celebrating 27 years leading the choir. Reverend Lisa Clayton's steadfast leadership has been key to the success and longevity of the Voices of Freedom Gospel Choir.

I thank them for all they do to elevate the importance of stories through song.

HONORING GERDA WEISSMANN KLEIN

(Mr. JACOBS of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JACOBS of New York. Madam Speaker, today, on Holocaust Remembrance Day, I honor the life of Gerda Weissmann Klein, who passed away on April 3.

Gerda was born in Poland in May 1925 and was only a teenager when her homeland was invaded by the Nazis. In 1942, she was sent to the Gross-Rosen camp system.

In 1945, Gerda was taken on a 3-month death march through Czechoslovakia. Luckily, the failed ignition of an incendiary device saved Gerda and 120 other women, who were liberated soon after.

After the war, Gerda immigrated to western New York, my home, to raise her family, and she traveled the country sharing her story. Gerda's first book, "All But My Life," told her story and was adapted into an Oscar-winning documentary called "One Survivor Remembers."

Gerda has received numerous honors and awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Gerda also spoke before the United Nations General Assembly on the first International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Gerda is survived by 3 children, 8 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren. May her memory be a blessing to us all.

CONGRESS SHOULD FUND GLOBAL VACCINATIONS

(Mr. AUCHINCLOSS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. AUCHINCLOSS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to encourage my colleagues to pass a bill recognizing that viruses don't respect borders and that the United States has a moral imperative to lead the world in vaccine diplomacy.

The only way to reach our goal of a 70 percent vaccination rate worldwide is to fund global vaccination efforts. We have the best vaccines in the world, and plenty of them, but we lack the political will to use them. Without this funding, people around the world will die, and future variants and surges will be more likely here at home.

I implore my colleagues to fund global COVID vaccinations and treatments. A supplemental relief bill that does not fund global vaccinations is not a bill that prevents and prepares for COVID surges. It would be a humanitarian setback and a threat to the American recovery.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MADELEINE ALBRIGHT

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, today, former Secretary Madeleine Albright was funeralized at the National Cathedral.

I rise today to pay tribute to a great American and a woman who exuded confidence and knowledge of worldwide diplomacy. She was appointed by President Clinton and became a champion for women's rights around the world.

I remember meeting her on the border of Bangladesh, meeting with young girls who had just been trafficked and returned to their native land. How empathetic she was to these young girls who had been traumatized and were Bangladesh citizens.

I understand, as well, that she cared about ensuring that human rights was heard around the world. She was a fighter against anti-Semitism because of the history of her own life and family, fleeing Europe during that time.

As we stand against the ideals of hatred and anti-Semitism, we stand in honor of former Secretary Madeleine Albright.

May she rest in peace, and may her legacy be one of worldwide diplomacy, the rights of women, peace, and solutions to hatred. We never hope to have hatred in this land and in this world. May she rest in peace and rest in power.

CONGRATULATING SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER

(Mr. ALLEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to offer my most sincere congratulations to Scottie Scheffler for his decisive victory at this year's Masters Tournament.

For 88 years, the world's greatest golfers have traveled to Georgia to play the world's greatest golf course, the Augusta National. Every April, sports fans across the world get a glimpse into the beauty and majesty that Georgia's 12th District has to offer.

This year, after shooting 69 in the first round and 67 in the second, Mr. Scheffler held on to a 3-stroke lead heading into the championship on Sunday.

As he made that walk to the 18th green, there was no doubt Scottie would walk away with that iconic green jacket, something every golfer dreams about.

Thanks to his strong play, he also had the luxury of being able to 4-putt his way to victory, something else that every golfer dreams about. But Scottie shouldn't worry. In the words of past winner Seve Ballesteros, when they asked how in the world did he 4-putt 16, he said: "I miss. I miss. I miss. I make."

INFLATION, IMMIGRATION, AND INCOMPETENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. AUCHINCLOSS). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2021, the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. JOHNSON) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the subject of my Special Order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Louisiana?

There was no objection.

Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, according to The Washington Post, Washington Democrats have diagnosed their messaging as the source of their current political problems. My colleagues and I are here tonight to offer a second opinion.

Mr. Speaker, the Washington Democrats certainly do have a problem, but it is not caused by their messaging; it is being caused by their policies. That is clear for everybody to see.

You see, the phrase "messaging problem" is a phrase that is familiar to us on Capitol Hill. It presumes that the American people would support your agenda; they just haven't heard it yet, or they don't quite understand it. But that is certainly not the problem for these Washington Democrats.

It is not their policies, and it is not that their policies are too sophisticated for the rest of us to understand, nor is it that the American people